

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ENERGY

NOTICE OF FILING AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

D.T.E. 06-75 September 18, 2006

Investigation by the Department of Telecommunications and Energy on its own motion as to the propriety of proposed tariff, M.D.T.E. No. 1103, filed by Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company d/b/a National Grid with the Department on August 31, 2006.

On August 31, 2006, Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company d/b/a National Grid (together, "MECo" or "Company") filed a petition with the Department of Telecommunications and Energy ("Department") wherein MECo proposed to cancel its basic/default service cost reclassification adjustment provision, M.D.T.E. No. 1084, and implement a new basic/default service cost reclassification adjustment provision, M.D.T.E. No. 1103. Specifically, the Company proposes to reconcile: (1) the distribution charge credit approved in Default Service Rates, D.T.E. 03-88A-F (2005), with actual revenues credited through distribution rates; (2) the distribution charge default service adder approved in D.T.E. 03-88A-F with actual revenues collected through basic/default service rates; and (3) the amount of uncollectible expenses that were approved in D.T.E. 03-88A-F to be transferred from distribution rates to basic/default service rates with actual uncollectible expense. In addition, the Company proposes to decrease distribution rates by the same amount as the basic/default service rate increase associated with the uncollectible expense. If approved, a residential customer who consumes 500 kilowatthours of electricity per month could expect to see a \$0.02 increase to their monthly bill. The proposed tariff has an effective date of November 1, 2006.

Any persons wishing to submit written comments regarding this filing must do so no later than the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on Thursday, October 5, 2006. The original and copies should be delivered to the Department of Telecommunications and Energy, One South Station, Boston, Massachusetts 02110. An original copy of the comments must be filed with Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary; and two (2) copies with the hearing officer, John J. Geary; one

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(1) copy with Stephen Crowley, Analyst, Rates and Revenues Division; and one (1) copy with Sean Hanley, Assistant Director, Rates and Revenues Division. One copy of all written comments should also be sent to the Company's counsel, Amy G. Rabinowitz, 25 Research Drive, Westborough, Massachusetts, 01582-0099.

All written comments should also be submitted to the Department in electronic format using one of the following methods: (1) by e-mail attachment to dte.efiling@state.ma.us and John.Geary@state.ma.us, or (2) on a 3.5" disk or CD-ROM. The text of the e-mail or the disk label must specify: (1) the docket number of the proceeding (D.T.E. 06-75), (2) name of the person or company submitting the filing, and (3) a brief descriptive title of the document (e.g., "Comments"). The electronic filing should also include the name, title and telephone number of a person to contact in the event of questions about the filing. Text responses should be created in either Corel WordPerfect, Microsoft Word, or as an Adobe-compatible PDF file. Data or spreadsheet responses should be compatible with Microsoft Excel. All comments submitted in electronic format will be posted on the Department's Web site: http://www.mass.gov/dte/.

A copy of MECo's filing is available for inspection at the Department's offices, One South Station, Boston, Massachusetts, during normal business hours (Monday through Friday - 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.). Copies are also on file for public viewing at the offices of the Company, 25 Research Drive, Westborough, Massachusetts. Any person desiring further information regarding the Company's filing should contact its counsel, Amy G. Rabinowitz, Massachusetts Electric Company at (508) 389-2975. Any person desiring further information regarding this notice should contact John J. Geary, Hearing Officer, Department of Telecommunications and Energy at (617) 305-3500.



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Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company d/b/a National Grid (together, "MECo" or "Company") shall serve the attached Notice of Filing and Request for Comments on or before Thursday, September 21, 2006, on the service lists in <u>Default Service Costs</u>, D.T.E. 03-88E (2005), to all licensed competitive suppliers in the Company's service territory, and to any person who has filed a request for notice with the Company. MECo is required to make return of service at the conclusion of the comment period.

By Order of the Department,

Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary